

St Peter's Catholic Primary School School Newsletter 13

Friday 4th December 2015

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Local Parish Mass Times	St Peter's	English Martyrs	St Augustine's
Saturday	6pm		6.30pm
Sunday	9am 10.30am 5.30pm	9am	11am

CURRICULUM INFORMATION

The table below details what your child will be learning from Monday

Year	Maths	English	Science
Group			
Reception	Repeating Patterns	Write all the sounds we can hear	
Y1	Assessments	Assessments	Weather Patterns
Y2	Assessment and Money	Dragon Stories	Investigating Materials
Y3	Shapes, Measure and Space	Newspapers	Soil
Y4	Roman Numerals	Poetry	Sound
Y5	Roman Numerals	Biographies	Properties and Changes of Materials
Y6	Area and Perimeter	Arguments	Living things and their habitats

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

As the Journey of Advent continues and we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God who comes among us to make divine judgement manifest. In school the children will be encouraged to think about (i) John the Baptist's special role and (ii) Peace – Jesus' message to all of us.

YEAR OF MERCY: TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2015–SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2016

Pope Francis has declared an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. This Holy Year of Mercy will begin on December 8th **2015**, the feast of the Immaculate Conception and the 50th anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council.

The Jubilee of Mercy, given to us by Pope Francis, invites us to contemplate the mercy of God revealed to us in the face of Jesus, his Son. Keeping our eyes fixed and focused on him, the Holy Father leads us as a community of faith to ponder, learn, understand, and experience the steadfast love of the Lord, to encounter once again the tender love of God, and to be filled with the knowledge of his boundless love for us. Knowing that love, understanding and experiencing that love and mercy, Pope Francis is bidding us to then reflect on how we might better radiate and reflect the mercy of God into our world. He beckons us into a kind of 'school' of mercy through the pilgrimage of the Jubilee so that we might be converted by God's tender love in order to be mercy for our world and for all people.

This is a Jubilee of welcome, of belonging, of accompanying others as they draw near to encounter Gods love for them. Through our crossing of a threshold, we move into deeper communion with God... but it's a threshold that we cross ourselves, first, and then accompany others, too, in their desire to find – in God – gentleness, forgiveness, boundless love and mercy.

Beginning on 8 December 2015 and closing on 20 November 2016, this Year of Mercy may be a real opportunity for us to rediscovery the beauty of knowing the friendship of Christ and to seek to draw others into that loving friendship.

Year of Mercy – Diocesan invitation

As Pope Francis invites us to cross the threshold of the Jubilee, so as a diocesan family we gather with Bishop Declan in our cathedral for Evening Prayer on 8 December at 7pm. This should be a prayerful start to our pilgrimage into the Jubilee.

The liturgy in the cathedral is an invitation to all in our diocese - pupils, staff and governors. It would be great to see you there.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2PM – 4PM

The annual School Christmas Fayre is tomorrow Saturday 5th December from 2.00pm-4.00pm there will be tombola stalls, games stalls, Santa's Grotto with Elves and professional stalls. Why not come and take advantage of our international food market with a mulled wine or if you would prefer hot chocolate and a mince pie. This year we have a special treat, there will be a secret wrapping room so your children can bring their pocket money and buy that perfect gift for you. so come along and join in with the festive fun.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair last week and as a result we have raised £263 commission for the school to spend on new books.

CONSULTATION ON TERM DATES 2017-18

We are currently seeking your views regarding term dates for the 2017/18 school year. Comments are welcome and encouraged from all school staff, parents/carers and local authorities.

Following feedback received last year, rather than proposing two options of school calendars for consultation, for the Academic Year 2017/2018, we are asking for your views on the process of setting school term dates. We will then use the consultation response to create the school calendar provided by the council. The consultation is available to view on this website:

https://gloucestershire-consult.objective.co.uk/public/schools/termdates/termdates

ST PETER'S HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSION POLICY CONSULTATION

The Governing Body of St Peter's RC High School and Sixth Form Centre is consulting on its proposed admission arrangements for the 2017-18 school year. The proposed arrangements can be viewed on the school's website: www.stpetershighschool.org.uk

ST PETER'S UNDER 5's CHRISTMAS FAYRE

St Peter's Under 5's are holding their Christmas Fayre on Friday 11th December between 3.30pm and 5.30pm. There will be cakes, face paints, Santa's Grotto and lots more. Everyone welcome!

HOUSE POINTS (to 3rd December 2015)

Weekly Totals		Cumulative Totals	
Wind	178	Wind	1895
Fire	172	Fire	1751
Earth	154	Water	1698
Water	122	Earth	1685

DINNER MENU – w/c 7th DECEMBER

Monday	Beef Bolognese	Vegetable Lasagne with Salad	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Tuna Mayo
Tuesday	Beef Burger in a Bun with	Chickpea & Vegetable Hotpot	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Cheese
	New Potatoes			
Wednesday	Roast Turkey	Mixed Vegetable Loaf	Jacket Potato with Beans	Egg & Cress
Thursday	BBQ Chicken Pizza	Sweet & Sour Quorn with Noodles	Jacket Potato with Tuna	Turkey
Friday	Battered Fish	Cheese & Leek Flan	Jacket Potato with Beans	Egg Mayo

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 10 th December	EYFS	Weight and Height Screening	During the school day
Weds 16 th December	Y3 and Y4	Christingle 5.30pm/6.00pm	
Thurs 17 th December	EYFS	Nativity	Arrive at school for 5.30pm for a
			6.00pm start
Tues 22 nd December	Whole School	Mass	9.15am Everyone welcome
Tues 22 nd December	School Finishes at 1.00pm		
Weds 6 th January	Whole School	New Term Starts	8.40am

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